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FOOD AND AGRICULTURE (V)

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ADDENDUM

V. FOOD AND AGRICULTURE

1. THE SOLUTION TO WORLD FOOD PROBLEMS LIES PRIMARILY IN
INCREASING RAPIDLY FOOD PRODUCTION IN THE DEVELOPING COUNTRIES.
TO THIS END, URGENT AND NECESSARY CHANGES IN THE PATTERN
OF WORLD FOOD PRODUCTION SHOULD BE INTRODUCED AND TRADE
POLICY MEASURES SHOULD BE IMPLEMENTED, IN ORDER TO OBTAIN
A NOTABLE INCREASE IN AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTION
AND THE EXPORT EARNINGS OF DEVELOPING COUNTRIES.

2. TO ACHIEVE THESE OBJECTIVES, IT IS ESSENTIAL THAT DEVELOPED
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8 IN VIEW OF THE IMPORTANCE OF FOOD AID AS A TRANSITIONAL MEASURE, ALL COUNTRIES SHOULD ACCEPT BOTH THE PRINCIPLE OF A MINIMUM FOOD AID TARGET AND THE CONCEPT OF FORWARD PLANNING OF FOOD AID. THE TARGET FOR THE 1975-1976 SEASON SHOULD BE 10 MILLION TONS OF FOOD GRAINS. THEY SHOULD ALSO ACCEPT THE PRINCIPLE THAT FOOD AID SHOULD BE CHANNELLED ON THE BASIS OF OBJECTIVE ASSESSMENT OF REQUIREMENTS IN THE RECIPIENT COUNTRIES. IN THIS RESPECT ALL COUNTRIES ARE URGED TO PARTICIPATE IN THE GLOBAL INFORMATION AND EARLY WARNING SYSTEM ON FOOD AND AGRICULTURE.

9. DEVELOPED COUNTRIES SHOULD INCREASE THE GRANT COMPONENT OF FOOD AID, WHERE FOOD IS NOT AT PRESENT PROVIDED AS GRANTS, AND SHOULD ACCEPT MULTILATERAL CHANNELLING OF THESE RESOURCES AT AN EXPANDING RATE. IN PROVIDING FOOD GRAINS AND FINANCING ON SOFT TERMS TO DEVELOPING COUNTRIES IN NEED

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OF SUCH ASSISTANCE, DEVELOPED COUNTRIES AND THE WORLD FOOD PROGRAMME SHOULD TAKE DUE ACCOUNT OF THE INTERESTS OF THE FOOD-EXPORTING DEVELOPING COUNTRIES AND SHOULD ENSURE THAT SUCH ASSISTANCE INCLUDE, WHEREVER POSSIBLE, PURCHASES OF FOOD FROM THE FOOD-EXPORTING DEVELOPING COUNTRIES.

10. DEVELOPED COUNTRIES AND DEVELOPING COUNTRIES IN A POSITION TO DO SO SHOULD PROVIDE FOOD GRAINS AND FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE ON MOST FAVOURABLE TERMS TO THE MOST SERIOUSLY AFFECTED COUNTRIES, TO ENABLE THEM TO MEET THEIR FOOD AND AGRICULTURAL DEVELOPMENT REQUIREMENTS WITHIN THE CONSTRAINTS OF THEIR BALANCE-OF-PAYMENTS POSITION. DONOR COUNTRIES SHOULD ALSO PROVIDE AID ON SOFT TERMS, IN CASH AND KIND, THROUGH BILATERAL AND MULTILATERAL CHANNELS, TO ENABLE THE MOST SERIOUSLY AFFECTED COUNTRIES TO OBTAIN THEIR ESTIMATED REQUIREMENTS OF ABOUT 1 MILLION TONS OF PLANT-NUTRIENTS DURING 1975-1976.

11. DEVELOPED COUNTRIES SHOULD CARRY OUT BOTH THEIR BILATERAL AND MULTILATERAL FOOD AID CHANNELLING IN ACCORDANCE WITH

THE PROCEDURES OF THE PRINCIPLES OF SURPLUS DISPOSAL OF THE FOOD AND AGRICULTURE ORGANIZATION OF THE UNITED NATIONS SO AS TO AVOID CAUSING UNDUE FLUCTUATIONS IN MARKET PRICES, OR THE DISRUPTION OF COMMERCIAL MARKETS FOR EXPORTS OF INTEREST TO EXPORTING DEVELOPING COUNTRIES.

12. ALL COUNTRIES SHOULD SUBSCRIBE TO THE INTERNATIONAL UNDERSTANDING ON WORLD FOOD SECURITY. THEY SHOULD BUILD UP AND MAINTAIN WORLD FOOD GRAIN RESERVES, TO BE HELD NATIONALLY OR REGIONALLY AND STRATEGICALLY LOCATED IN DEVELOPED AND DEVELOPING, IMPORTING AND EXPORTING COUNTRIES, LARGE ENOUGH TO COVER FORESEEABLE MAJOR PRODUCTION SHORTFALLS. INTENSIVE WORK SHOULD BE CONTINUED ON A PRIORITY BASIS IN THE WORLD FOOD COUNCIL AND OTHER APPROPRIATE FORUMS IN ORDER TO DETERMINE, INTER ALIA, THE SIZE OF THE REQUIRED RESERVE, TAKING INTO ACCOUNT AMONG OTHER THINGS THE PROPOSAL MADE AT THE CURRENT SESSION, THAT THE COMPONENTS OF WHEAT AND RICE IN THE TOTAL RESERVE SHOULD BE 30 MILLION TONS. THE WORLD FOOD COUNCIL SHOULD REPORT TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY ON THE MATTER AT ITS THIRTY-FIRST SESSION. DEVELOPED COUNTRIES SHOULD ASSIST DEVELOPING COUNTRIES IN THEIR EFFORTS TO BUILD UP AND MAINTAIN
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THEIR AGREED SHARES OF SUCH RESERVES. PENDING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE WORLD FOOD GRAIN RESERVE, DEVELOPED COUNTRIES AND DEVELOPING COUNTRIES IN A POSITION TO DO SO, SHOULD EARMARK STOCKS AND/OR FUNDS TO BE PLACED AT THE DISPOSAL OF THE WORLD FOOD PROGRAMME AS AN EMERGENCY RESERVE TO STRENGTHEN THE CAPACITY OF THE PROGRAMME TO DEAL WITH CRISIS SITUATIONS IN DEVELOPING COUNTRIES. THE AIM SHOULD BE A TARGET OF NOT LESS THAN 500,000 TONS.

13. MEMBERS OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY REAFFIRM THEIR FULL SUPPORT FOR THE RESOLUTIONS OF THE WORLD FOOD CONFERENCE AND CALL UPON THE WORLD FOOD COUNCIL TO MONITOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE PROVISIONS UNDER SECTION V OF THE PRESENT RESOLUTION AND TO REPORT TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY AT ITS THIRTY-FIRST SESSION. UNQTE.
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